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10 May 1968

UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD  
INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION HANDLING COMMITTEE

Minutes of Second Meeting, 8 May 1968

Members or Representatives Present

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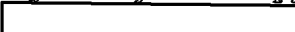

Chairman	-	
DIA	-	
CIA	-	
NSA	-	
State	-	
Army	-	
Navy	-	
Air Force	-	
FBI	-	Not Represented
AEC	-	Not Represented

Others Present

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CIA	-	
NPIC	-	
DIA	-	
DDR&E	-	
NSF	-	
NSA	-	
IHC/SS	-	

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1. Approval of Minutes. Minutes of the first IHC meeting (IHC-M-1, 1 May 1968) were approved subject to the following change requested by  Page 3, para 3g., replace last sentence with the following:  stated that within the Army program for advanced training it is difficult to identify, at any given time, the number of personnel filling or programmed to fill intelligence positions who have received advanced information science training. This tends to limit the benefits to be derived from an information science training subcommittee."

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2. Disposition of SCIPS Tapes. [ ] reported that the SCIPS data base was contained on 32 magnetic tapes which have sat on the shelf in CIA/OCS for over four years during which only one extract was made. It is now likely that the data on the tapes have decayed to the point that it cannot be manipulated. Furthermore, the information on the tapes is 6 - 7 years old. In any event there are copies in CIA vital records of all of the SCIPS catalogs so that the SCIPS data will still be available if anyone needs it. He proposed that CIA/OCS be authorized to erase and reuse the tapes. This proposal was approved.

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3. COINS Semi-Annual Report (IHC-D-113.4/10).

a. The Chairman reported that he had just received CIA comments to subject paper. Rather than get this committee involved in discussing the CIA comments, he proposed to turn them over to the COINS Working Group for resolution. If there are conflicting views which the COINS Working Group cannot resolve, they should be brought to the IHC Chairman for resolution or discussion with the IHC. This procedure was approved.

4. NSA Workshop on Networks of Computers (NOC-68).

a. [ ] distributed a brief description of subject workshop to be held at Ft. Meade 14 - 18 October 1968. (See Attachment). [ ] who will be chairman of the workshop, indicated that most of the workshop will be at SECRET level. On Monday, 14 October, there will be general sessions at which papers will be presented. The next three days will consist of discussion group meetings; and the final day will be reports from the discussion groups and a final wrap-up session.

b. The Chairman requested the IHC members to discuss the workshop within their agencies and come to the next IHC meeting with a list of suggested participants, discussion leaders, additional topics to be covered, and other suggestions for [ ] to consider in preparing for the workshop.

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5. Organization of Intelligence Information Handling Committee (Attachment to USIB-D-71.3/1, 3 May 1968).

a. Subject paper had been circulated through USIB channels and all members had received it. The Chairman noted that it was on the USIB agenda for 9 May. He further indicated that CIA is trying to develop specific language for para c, page 2, Subcommittee on R&D, so that the CIA footnote could be eliminated.

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25X1 b. [ ] stated that NSA is trying to develop specific language for para. 4, page 1, and para. b, page 2, so that the two NSA footnotes could be eliminated.

25X1 c. [ ] inquired as to why NSA wanted to delete the Subcommittee on System Design and Development which State feels is most important. [ ] stated that NSA people do not object to the subcommittee but do feel that it is premature to establish it now.

25X1 d. [ ] stated that DIA is going to propose acceptance of the paper as written without any footnotes. He felt that the Subcommittee on System Design and Development is probably the most important of all. He also felt that the language in para. 5c, relating to the Subcommittee on R&D is in harmony with language in the paper on Objectives previously approved by USIB.

25X1 e. [ ] felt that it would be impossible to implement the responsibilities of the R&D Subcommittee as stated in para. 5c, i.e., "... for developing a coordinated intelligence information handling R&D program" and "for coordinating the information science activities of the experimental research facilities in the respective agencies." He felt that we should revise the statement along the lines of the CIA footnote so that the R&D subcommittee would have responsibilities that could be achieved.

25X1 25X1 f. Considerable discussion ensued on the point raised by [ ] Eventually [ ] proposed some alternate language approximately as follows: "The Subcommittee on R&D will be responsible for: (a) identifying community needs for R&D in intelligence information handling; (b) recommending an R&D program for meeting the community needs in Intelligence Information Handling; (c) recommending a specific agency assignment for R&D activities; (c) monitoring the information science activities of the experimental research facilities in the community agencies; and (e) keeping the intelligence community informed on scientific and technical developments in information handling." This language received general approval. The Chairman indicated that he would support the revised language and asked the members to incorporate similar language into their pre-USIB briefings of the USIB principals.

7. The Chairman stated that if USIB raises questions regarding the responsibilities of the proposed seven professional members of the Support Staff, he was prepared to tell them in general what the responsibilities would be, i.e.:

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- a. Executive Secretary and Chief of the Support Staff;
- b. Chairman of the Subcommittee on Research and Development;
- c. Chairman of the Subcommittee on System Design and Development;
- d. Chairman of the Subcommittee on Education and Training;
- e. Standardization problems, transliteration systems, Content Control Code, Item Register System, Installations Register, FPCS, liaison with COMREX, etc.;
- f. Automated files, biographies, Chairman of COINS Files Panel, exchange of files, elimination of file duplication, etc.;
- g. Development of community plans and programs for increasing effectiveness of information handling, coordination of resources and budget requirements, monitor information handling aspects of CIP, CCCP, CIAP and TCD, cognizance of agency plans and programs in information handling, etc.

[Note: Subject paper with a new paragraph on the Subcommittee on R&D essentially as indicated in para. f above and without any NSA or CIA footnotes was approved by USIB on 9 May].

8. USIB File & Program Catalog System (FPCS).

a. In response to the Chairman's query, [ ] stated that he was not ready to report for DIA on the problem raised at the last meeting (IHC-M-1, para. 8) but would try to do so at the next meeting. 25

b. [ ] inquired whether submissions to the FPCS could still go in for the May update. [ ] responded in the affirmative. 25

c. [ ] requested the members to review their agencies' requirements for FPCS Catalogs and let him know ASAP the number of copies needed and the addresses of the recipients. 25X1

9. COINS Management. The Chairman reported that the DCI/DIENSA agreement on COINS management mentioned at the last meeting (IHC-M-1, para. 5) was not yet approved by DIENSA, but should be very shortly.

10. Soviet SST Biographies. The Chairman said that within the past few months he had seen but cannot now find a proposal from FDB

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to Air Force relating to elimination of duplicate processing and files of information on Soviet S&T personalities. Since neither [redacted] were aware of the proposal, they were requested by the Chairman to see if they could run it down. [Note: This turned out to be FTD and USAF 1127th FAG comments on CODIB-D-111/1.5/7, 29 November 1967, Foreign Position Intelligence Biographic Systems. Copies were on file in the Support Staff.]

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11. COINS Evaluation. In response to a query from the Chairman [redacted] said the COINS Test and Analysis Panel (renamed from Evaluation Panel) is trying to get a draft of its test and analysis plan ready by 1 June 1968.

12. Next Meeting. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 29 May, at 10:00 A.M. in Room 2E62, CIA Headquarters.

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Executive Secretary

Attachment:  
NSA Workshop Program

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